

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 and 22-27 are presently pending in the application. Claims 15-21 have been cancelled without prejudice to pursuing the cancelled claims in subsequent continuation or divisional applications. New claims 22-27 have been added for substantive examination. The drawings and specification stand as previously filed.

RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-14, drawn to a differential system, classified in class 475, subclass 230.
- II. Claims 15-21, drawn to a method of transitioning between modes in a differential, classified in class 475, subclass 254.

Applicant elects claims 1-14 of group I. Applicant has cancelled claims 15-21 without prejudice to pursuing the non-elected claims in subsequent divisional or continuation applications.

CONCLUSION

If it is believed that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600. Prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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